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Applicant(s): Nongjian Tao et al.

Invention: SURFACE PLASMON RESONANCE DETECTION WITH HIGH ANGULAR RESOLUTION AND FAST RESPONSE TIME

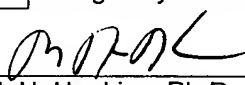
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action of October 2, 2003 in which all elected claims (1-7, 18-25, 29, 30, and 37-39) stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §§ 101, 103(a) and 112, second paragraph. Reconsideration of the rejection is solicited for the reasons set out below. This response is timely filed before January 2, 2004.

Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.